

LOG OF MEETING
DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: CPSC Presentation on Age Determinations for Toy Associations
of Southern California

DATE OF MEETING: July 30, 1996

PLACE: Chamber of Commerce
Conference Center,
Los Angeles, CA

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Celestine Trainor, ESHF

DATE OF ENTRY: August 6, 1996

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Celestine Trainor-ESHF, Keven Barton -
Investigator, Roger Burroughs - Investigator, Cecil Smith -
Investigator

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: See page 2

SUMMARY OF MEETING

Mr. Frank Gomez, Vice President of Toy Association of Southern California (TASC) opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees and explaining the schedule for the workshop. Mr. David Lynn, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce then welcomed the attendee and introduced the guest speaker, Ms. Celestine Trainor from CPSC. Ms. Trainor then began her presentation on age determinations. She provided background information about the CPSC and the federal regulations that deal with children's toys. Ms. Trainor proceeded to define age determinations and age labeling and why they are important to toy manufacturers and consumers. Ms. Trainor also spent time explaining the Child Safety Protection Act's labeling requirements. Then Ms. Trainor showed a video which introduced the Commission's "Manufacturers' Abbreviate Guide for Age-Labeling Toys: Matching Toy Characteristics to Children's Ages", a booklet which was distributed to all attendees. Ms. Trainor then explained what the Commission staff look for when making age determinations for children's toys.

After Ms. Trainor's presentation, Mr. Joseph Cox, Attorney at Law spoke to the attendees about importers rights and responsibilities as they relate to importing toys into the U.S. Mr. Cox encouraged the attendees to use the information provided by Ms. Trainor to make sure their toys could be imported into the U.S. He also encouraged the attendees to fight for their rights if their products are stopped/seized at entry by the U.S. Customs Services and/or the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Mr. Eduardo Duran, Mattel, then presented information about new Mexican testing requirements for products exported to Mexico.

After a questions and answers period, the meeting adjourned.

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NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Oneeta Alexander, U.S. Customs Service
 Joseph Cox, Stein Shostak Shostak O'Hara
 Daniel Deng, Chinese Daily News
 Eduardo Duran, Mattel, Inc.
 Frank Gomez, World Exchange
 Pam Kornmann, U.S. Customs Service
 David Lynn, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
 Sue Paul, U.S. Customs Service
 Yvette Nunez, RLA
 Linda Yeung, RLA
 Terra Anders, Lakeshore Learning Materials
 M. Joyce Bakersmith
 John Barrera, The Disney Store
 Elaine Bowdle, Bandai America
 Jeff Cepielik, Playhut
 Jack Cheng, Golden State Sales
 May Cheung, Tai Thung International
 Ravi Dadlani, Toykidz
 Keith Diggs, Skid Row Access
 Ellen Hall-Burns, Imperial Toy Corporation
 Patrick Hodgkins, Bandai America
 Mei Huang, Angel Toy Coporation
 Alan Kaufman, The Disney Sourcing Technical Services
 Allen Kim, A&A Plush
 Keiko Kinoshita, Hiraoka Los Angeles, Inc.
 Izumi Koh, Bandai America
 Angela Lam, PlayHut
 Tony Lam, TC Toys
 Leeton Lee, The Walt Disney Consumer Products Company
 Paul Lee, Tai Tung International
 Kiyoshi Matsumura, Hiraoka Los Angels, Inc.
 Nancy Morgan, Mattel
 Vivek Nagrani, Value King
 Dina Rico, ATI
 Nelsom Smith, Mattel
 Bobby Sung, Sung Trading Co.
 Connie Tam, Angel Toy Corporation
 Charlie Woo, Mega Toys
 Jack Woo, ABC Toys
 Patrick Chen, Micro TASC Technology
 Mark Salmon, Otis College of Art & Design
 Joe Wong, Mega Toys
 Tom Yip, Tom Toy

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 Linda Yeung, RLA
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